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## Society

Miss Marie Rose Phone 611

lino spent the week in town the guests of Miss Mary Bickley, and attended the Big Fair.

Miss Grace Adams of Kansas City has gone to Vandalla after a pleasant visit with Miss Olga Myers.

Masters Stanley and Rex Caldwell of Vandalla visited their aunt, Mrs. W. W. Botta, this week and attended the Fair.

Mrs. L. O. Roden, Miss Mary Roden and Miss Irma Wilson spent several days in Mexico on their way to Sikeston, Mo., where they will make their future home.

Joe Brothers of Kirksville was the guest this week of T. A. Threlkeld and attended the Fair.

Miss Lucile Dingle was the guest of Miss Lillian Morris for several days this week.

J. P. Griffie and wife left Tuesday for an extended visit in Fruitland, N. C.

Mrs. C. L. Blanks and Miss Dorothy are home from St. Louis and Pilot Knob, where they spent the summer.

Miss Cecil Thompson of Frankfort, Mo., is the guest of L. M. Lake and family.

Mrs. Mary Graham gave an afternoon party Friday evening to the following friends: Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hannah and Misses Mary Roth, Frances Gill and Frances Macdonald. After the show they returned to the Graham home where a watermelon-eating contest was indulged in.

J. G. Livingston and wife have returned from Columbia to make their home there. They will occupy the Hathaway home on South Jefferson. We are glad to have this excellent family with us again.

W. G. Burke, Mrs. Burke and Mary Lee Burke returned this week from a three-weeks' pleasure trip in Colorado. They visited Denver, Golden, Boulder, Colorado Springs and Manitou, and spent a few days pleasantly in the home of A. S. Johnson in Rocky Ford. They were also entertained in the beautiful home of Mrs. Lewis, who was formerly Miss Lulu Melvin of this city.

Miss Helen Howell had as her house guest this week Misses Maude Squire and Nancy Revere of Contra-tila.

Mr. James Holman of Callaway and Arthur Lake and daughter of Vandalla were guests this week of the family of J. H. Minor.

Miss Allie Luckie went to Columbia Friday for a visit to her sister, Miss Effie Graham.

Miss Bernice Smith gave a Lyric party Monday night for her houseguest, Miss Donna Jenkins. Those in the crowd were Misses Elizabeth McCune, Lottie Cornett, Ruth Hoxsey, Anna Williams, Harriet Winans, Mildred Wallace, Maurine Holsen, Irene Roden, Edna Morris, Louise Willard, Dorothy Worrell, Miriam

and Mrs. Taylor Dowell of Missouri.

Glandon, Mary Ruth Clark, and Margaret Caves; Messrs Griffin, Kunkle, Cuthbert, H. Craddock, Des Johnson, Lester Miller, Willey Johnson, Ned Miller, Chas. Guthrie, F. Peck, Cade Johnson, C. Tilton, Bob Robertson, Russell Moore, Frank Porowski and Otto Weimer. After the theatre the entire party escorted Miss Jenkins to the train as she left for Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Marshall entertained on Wednesday the following guests: Stockton Fountain and Misses Mildred Barren and Ethel Brown of Centerville, Mrs. Bonifacio and Messrs. Dozier Stone and Ligon of Columbia.

Miss Rob Baker of St. Louis is here the guest of Miss Trunkel.

L. M. Richards and family are home from a delightful trip through the East and Northeast. Mr. Richards made the statement that he hadn't seen a man without his coat since he left Mexico. Now we have all ways heard that he was a truthful man, but some way, we have our doubts, especially since the thermometer has been hovering around 100 ever since he left.

Miss Barley of Montgomery City is here the guest of Mrs. Wayman at the home of her mother, Mrs. O. C. Willard.

Mrs. R. E. Race entertained at noon-day dinner Thursday at Mrs. Spencer's the following guests: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson, Mrs. S. P. McAllister, Mrs. A. M. Patterson, Mrs. C. T. Ehrhard and Misses Beth Patterson and Edith Ehrhard.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rose of New Canton, Ill., were guests this week of H. M. Bartels and wife.

Miss Miriam Glandon gave quite a delightful porch-dance at the country home of W. W. Pollock, on Friday evening, in honor of Miss Sarah Conyon of Hannibal. About thirty young people enjoyed the terrace. Punch was served through out the evening and the guests were given a substantial lunch which buoyed up their spirits for the return home.

About sixty friends of Robert Robertson carried their supper to the Robertson home Thursday evening, where it was spread on the lawn, and thoroughly enjoyed. The feast consisted of everything eatable beginning with fried chicken and ending with ice cream, cake and for fear of not having a sufficiency several large watermelons were cut. Music on the Victrola added to the enjoyment. The affair was in honor of Mr. Robertson's house guests, Clem McGlana and Robert Hedges of St. Louis.

Miss Laura Walker leaves tonight for an extended visit in Chicago with Mrs. J. E. Hopkins. Later, she will spend several weeks in Detroit with Mrs. H. J. Stoops.

Mrs. W. S. Hopp and charming daughter, Louella of Kansas City are guests of Mrs. Bette Fox on N. Jefferson street.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sparks of Shelby have returned home after a visit with Mrs. Bette Fox.

Miss Gertrude Whitton of St. Louis is the guest of Miss Virginia Parker.

**MAN HELD FOR MURDER AT SHELBY.**  
George Houck, 34 years old, is in jail at Shelby, charged with the murder of James H. Dale, Wednesday evening, just south of Shelbyville, Dale and J. C. Houck, a brother of George, were disputing over some money, Dale claimed they owed him, when George Houck went to his brother's assistance and it is alleged struck Dale with a heavy stone, just above the ear. A coroner's jury brought in a verdict placing George Houck responsible for Dale's death. George and J. C. Houck are extending the Shelby county Railroad into Knox county. They are brothers of L. R. Houck, who owns the road.

IF you are not going to be able to work on the roads August 20, 21, make a contribution in cash immediately to the Ledger fund.

**...DEATHS...**

Mrs. Sarah Adeline Reed, 53 years of age, mother of Dr. W. L. Reed, of this city, died at her home in Macon, Friday, at 12:30 p. m.

She has been confined to the house for a year and her health has been very poor for the last three months. Dr. Reed has been with her almost all of the time since May. He was at her bedside at the time of her death.

The funeral was held at Macon on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 and the body was buried in the cemetery there.

Besides her son in this city, Mrs. Reed is survived by following children: Mrs. J. I. Blackwood, Washington; F. M. Reed, Macon; Frank Reed, Salt Lake City, Utah; and John Reed, Washington. Her husband died about seventeen years ago.

Mrs. Reed was a member of the Methodist Church and was a sweet Christian woman. Her loss will be deeply felt. The Ledger joins other friends in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved.

R. F. Hendrick, an old resident of Laddonia, died Monday after a long illness, suffering with dropsy. The funeral services were conducted on Wednesday morning at the Universalist Church by the Rev. Conklin of Chicago, and Rev. Mrs. Laura Gator, of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. The body was buried in the Laddonia cemetery. The funeral was officiated at the grave.

Mr. Hendrick was a brother of Mrs. Josie Connell, of Laddonia. His wife died several years ago and he had no children living. The Ledger joins other friends in extending sincere sympathy.

James Pledge, about 53 years of age, died at his home on South Olive street, Sunday morning, suffering with a complication of diseases. The funeral was held at the home, Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, the Rev. Dr. A. A. Wallace, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Woods, of Annapolis, and the Macons officiating. The body was buried in Elmwood cemetery with that of his brother, who died about six months ago.

Mrs. Pledge came to Mexico from Callaway county a few years ago and lived with his brother until his death, March 12th. His health has been bad for some time and he was taken to Mayo Hospital some months ago for an operation but was told it would be of no avail. Since then he has been gradually growing weaker. He was never married and leaves no near relatives.

James Pledge was liked by everyone who knew him and his death will sadden the hearts of many in this community. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church and a Mason. The Ledger joins other friends in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

Vandalla, Mo., Aug. 17

Miss Edith Mulhenn, 19 years old, died here Sunday morning following an operation for appendicitis. She was the daughter of J. D. Mulhenn, wealthy farmer, north of town.

WHAT'S the matter with Mexico having a Band?

Miss Gertrude Whitton of St. Louis is the guest of Miss Virginia Parker.

## COUNTY NEWS

Prof. J. L. Shobe is some better, but not able to be out.

J. H. Lane is home from Excelsior Springs, where he has been for the past two weeks.

Governor Elliott Major passed through Mexico early Friday morning on his way to Jefferson City from Bowling Green. The governor was in Mexico for only a short time between trains and very few people knew he was here.

Chas. Bronaugh of Detroit, Mich., is the guest of Mrs. L. Lackland and his daughter, Miss Louise Bronaugh. E. B. Carter, of Roswell, New Mexico, is here Ed's many friends are glad his health is improved.

Miss Frances Brown, who has been at Excelsior Springs for the past several months, is visiting her sister, Mrs. T. J. Hoxsey. Miss Brown has been in very poor health, but is much better now. She will be here for some time.

Mrs. Mary Zaretsky, of St. Louis, who has been visiting her son, Joseph, has returned to her home. She was accompanied by Mrs. Joe. Zaretsky and her two children.

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**LETA FRANCES DAY WINS LEDGER BABY CUP AT FAIR.**

The annual Ledger Baby show took place on Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Art Hall. The purpose of the contest was to encourage the mothers of the county to try for the Ledger cup and the three judges had some little trouble deciding which was the prettiest. The entrants to the Art Hall were crowded with interested spectators and the show aroused more than the usual amount of enthusiasm.

The results were as follows: First—Leta Frances Day, 11-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Day of Thompson.

Second—Allie Marie Harrison, 7-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Harrison, Mexico, T. No. 1.

Third—Dorothy Louise Jesse, the 8-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy B. Jesse, of this city.

Other Entries.

Everett Eugene Stewart, 10-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Stewart, of this city.

Aaron Nelson Standifer, 8-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Standifer of Centerville.

Pansy Marie Pulis, 11-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Turner Pulis, of Thompson.

Maurice Edward Green, 7-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Rhodes Green, of this city.

Frances Fern Van Note, the 7-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Van Note, of this city.

Martha Ashworth Pearl, 7-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Pearl.

Ruth Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Davis, Mexico.

Rhonda Hunsaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Hunsaker.

Inez Bird, 8-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bird, Mexico.

Harris Lee Wallace, 9-month-old son of R. H. Wallace, McCredie.

Josephine Brandenkamp, 7-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Brandenkamp, Mexico.

The judges were Dinks L. Parrish and James H. Bright of St. Louis, and Miss Hazel Fry of Louisiana.

**DIARRHOEA QUICKLY CURED.**

"I was taken with diarrhoea and Mr. Yorks, the merchant here, persuaded me to try a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. After taking one dose of it I was cured. It also cured others that I gave it to," writes M. E. Gebhart, Oriole, Pa. That is not at all unusual. An attack of diarrhoea can almost invariably be cured by one or two doses of this remedy. It is one of the most successful preparations that has been discovered. Thousands have testified to its value. For sale by Buckner Drug Co.

**BIG FIRE AT CEMETERY.**

A large portion of the cemetery has been burned over, destroying forty panels of fence and some other property. The fire caught from a Chicago & Alton engine and Mayor Potts is arranging to file bill for damages.

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**NEW RECTOR MEXICO EPISCOPAL CHURCH.**

The Rev. Dr. A. Sanford, from the diocese of Texas has accepted a call to take charge of St. Paul's Church, Sept. 1, and will hold services the first Sunday.

**GET ready for the big Mexico**  
Chau tauqua, August 24-30. It will be better than ever.

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## WRENS Public Service Pharmacy

**NEW POSTOFFICE, OPENED SATURDAY**

The postoffice employees were busy Friday, moving the fixtures from the old office on the corner of Washington and Promenade streets to the handsome new building on Clark Avenue and West Jackson street. The new office was open for business Saturday morning.

All the boxes in the new office are locked with Yale locks and a key is needed to get into them. The keys for those who deposited were given out some time ago. The only things that had to be moved were the cases in which mail is assorted, supplies and other such articles. Most of the furniture is new.

Twenty-seven persons besides the postmaster will be employed at the new postoffice. The force will be composed of an assistant postmaster, seven rural carrier, five city carriers, two substation carriers, five clerks, fireman, janitor, special messenger, two railway mail clerks and a railway messenger. It is thought an inspector will also have his offices here.

**MRS. H. B. MCKINLEY SHOOT AT IMPUDENT TRAMP.**

Mrs. H. B. McKinley displayed her courage this week when she fired over the head of an impudent tramp. She states she would have sent the next shot at him had he not turned and fled. Mrs. McKinley was as cool as if she was accustomed to such situations and she is to be commended upon her courage which no doubt saved her home from robbery.

The tramp called early Wednesday morning. She locked the door and refused him entry. He was impudent then but left. Later he returned and when she locked the door again told her he "want" an animal to be treated that way" and announced his intention of kicking in the screen door.

She stepped into another room and securing a 32 caliber revolver told him to leave. He laughed and said he wasn't afraid of an empty gun. With that she fired over his head. He immediately started running and has not been heard of since.

**FOR BIG ROAD WORK DAYS, BEAN CREEK MEN ORGANIZE.**

Otto Kunkel, Wm. Yostmeyer, Jno. Durges, Fred Norris, Frank Moydel, George and Graham Robertson, of the Bean Creek neighborhood have organized for road work August 20-21.

They will haul gravel to construct a number of concrete culverts on those days and will continue the free work until a sufficient amount is hauled to construct five culverts.

Seph Eubanks of the same neighborhood donates gravel. These men have already graded and dragged this section of road preparatory to building the culverts.

**SADDLE STAKE PICTURES, AUGUST 25.**

The moving pictures of the \$1500 and \$500 saddle stakes at the big will be developed as soon as possible and returned to this city Monday, August 25, where they will be shown at the Lyric Theatre.

A Richard, the operator who took the pictures, is not from St. Louis, but from the chief studio in New Jersey.

**GYPSY CROWNING EVIDENTLY A "PIPE DREAM."**

The coronation of Emil Mitchell as King of the Mitchell tribe of Gypsies, which was to take place in this city, according to a dispatch from an Illinois city, this month, seems to have been the dream of some correspondent for the metropolitan press.

The Ledger is swamped with telegrams, letters and telephone messages concerning this event and from every indication the affair is a false alarm.

If the Gypsies do come it will be much later in the year as telephone communication fails to locate them anywhere in this vicinity.

**BUYS HOUSE AND LOT.**

R. P. Tinsley has bought the E. G. Smith property on West Love street. The purchase price was not learned.

This is a good piece of property and well understood and very well. The deal was made through the agency of J. O. Tinsley. Mr. Tinsley also negotiated a trade of Al Hendrix's 100-acre farm, northwest of town, to Charles Head for an acre in Mexico with two houses.

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**PAYS CLAIM ON LOST POLICYHOLDER.**

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat says: The Connecticut Mutual Life paid a claim on James I. Brown, a lost policy holder. Brown took out the policy in Mexico, Mo., in 1896, and then moved West. Since November, he had been traced over the West until his heirs were found in Clarkston, Wash.

## MARTINSBURG PICKNICS

**A SUCCESS.**

The 10 annual Woodman picnic at Martinsburg was held Friday. There was a large crowd present and great loss of a small shower in the afternoon everyone had a glorious time. The day closed with a big ball in the evening.

The winners of the various contests were as follows:

Wheelbarrow race—Geo. Christop. Foot race—1st Paul Martin, 2nd Geo. Engel.

Best mule colt—1st Wm. Banks; 2nd Ben Kenna; 3rd Finley Johnson.

Sack race—1st Ed Lampe, 2nd Lowell Williams.

Best draft colt—J. H. Elgin.

Best draft stallion—M. P. Hains.

Best layer cake—1st Mrs. F. M. Tate; 2nd Miss Margaret Bonnell.

Oldest Person on Ground—Joe Muster, 82 years old.

Best Leaf Cake—1st Miss Laura Clark; 2nd Mrs. H. P. French.

Best loaf of bread—Mrs. Joe Harris.

## "DINKS" PARRISH, OF ST. LOUIS, IS ROUTED AS JUDGE OF BABIES

(St. Louis Republic)

Dinks Lucien Parrish, St. Louis clubman, laundryman and horse fancier, has for years been on the Board of Governors of the Mississippi Valley Kennel Club and a member of the Executive Committee of the St. Louis Horse Show Society.

Ergo, even his enemies (he has none) admit that what he doesn't know about horses and dogs is not worth learning. Consequently, he has been in regular attendance at the Audrain County Fair, now in progress at Mexico, Mo.

Had Dinks confined his attention merely to pronouncing the opinions relative to horse and dog flesh things might have been different. But he didn't. He was inveigled into acting as judge of the Mexico Ledger Baby Show at the Fair. Hence the occasion for this story.

Dinks sat in judgment on a group of fifteen beautiful kids assisted by Jim Bright, another St. Louis laundryman, and Miss Hazeline Fry also of St. Louis.

Then Dinks Gets His.

He swept the lusty youngsters with trained and judicious eyes. Dignity sat enthroned on his placid countenance and references to "sneezes" and "scientific ratings" vastly impressed hopeful parents.

In due time the prizes were awarded. Then in rampant wrath and fury rose a fashionably-attired woman. "What do you know about babies, anyway?" she fairly screamed at the astonished judge. "My child should have had first prize. So back to your laundry in St. Louis and leave matters like this to those who know something about them."

"Have you any children of your own? (He has three, but didn't have time to say so.)

"You needn't think because you've studied horses and dogs that you know anything about babies. Go jump into one of your washing machines and get some of the cobwebs out of your brain."

Dinks tried to explain, but the tirade began with renewed violence after each interruption. His only chance of escape lay in flight, so he fled.

It was perhaps an hour later that the "Judge," still perturbed by his experience, was being escorted about the grounds by a friend. He was being introduced to scores of delightfully jolly men and women. He was led toward a box, where sat the leaders in Mexico's social circles.

"Let me introduce Mrs. Bob White, wife of the editor of The Mexico Ledger," said the friend.

"Pleased—why—er," faltered Dink "this is the woman who berated me so unmercifully a little while ago because I didn't give her child first prize at the baby show."

"There was a tumbler of guffaw, and men and women were placed into mortals in laughter. Dinks' face became the color of a sun-kissed cherry, as he saw through the "frame up."

The only "baby" Mrs. White has is L. M. White, junior editor of the Ledger, aged 20.

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